



**Valencia County**  
**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**RESOLUTION No 2017-32**

**A RESOLUTION**

**AUTHORIZING VALENCIA COUNTY TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION, LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIVISION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE JUVENILE ADJUDICATION PROGRAM.**

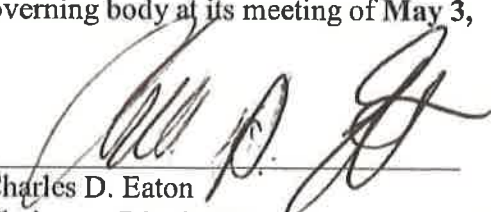
**WHEREAS**, the Legislature enacted Section 34-16-1 NMSA 1978 establishing a juvenile adjudication fund grant program to fund programs providing alternative procedures of adjudication for juveniles charged with traffic offenses and other misdemeanors.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Legislature enacted Section 66-8-116.3 NMSA 1978 as amended, creating the juvenile adjudication fund by assessing fees levied and collected; and

**WHEREAS**, Valencia County along with Youth Development Inc., is making application to the Department of Finance and Administration, Local Government Division for supplemental program funding.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of Valencia County, State of New Mexico hereby authorizes the submission of the FY18 application for the Juvenile Adjudication Fund under the regulations established by the Local Government Division.

**APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND PASSED** by the governing body at its meeting of May 3, 2017.

  
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Charles D. Eaton  
Chairman, District IV



Peggy Garabajal, County Clerk (SEAL)

**Juvenile Adjudication Fund Grant Program  
Local Government Division  
Valencia County Teen Court Program  
FY 18**

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**YDI Teen Court**

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**Program Summary**

The Valencia County –YDI Teen Court Program was established in 2012 to provide alternatives to traditional court procedures for the resolution of misdemeanor charges. Valencia County teens appear before a jury of their peers that recommends a sentence that may include classes related to the crime, community services, or other activities intended to reduce the chances that a juvenile will commit additional crimes. Teen Court is a way for eligible teens to keep their record clean. If a teen successfully completes his/her sentence the charges and fines are dismissed. All teen court cases are heard at the Thirteenth Judicial District Court house two days a month from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**Eligibility**

Teen Court is voluntary for teens, ages 12-17, charged with traffic violations, shoplifting, possession of a controlled substance, disorderly conduct, and other misdemeanors. Teen Court is for misdemeanor offenses that are referred by Magistrate/Municipal Court and Juvenile Probation. Teens can go to Teen Court if they have not committed an offense within the past two years. No one can go through Teen Court more than twice.

**Responsibilities of Teen Defendants**

- Teen must admit to the charges.
- Teen must appear at the sentencing hearing with his/her parent, guardian, or custodian.
- Teen must complete his/her sentence within the time frame given.
- Teen must follow the court Rules of Conduct.
- Teen must not commit any other offense during their association with Teen Court

**Population served:**

Youth 12-17

**Geographic area served:**

Valencia County

**Total Amount Requested from DFA:**

**\$25,000.00**

Dollar amount requested for YDI:

\$23,750.00

Dollar amount requested for Valencia County administrative fee:

\$ 1,250.00

YDI minimum 10% match (cash and/or in-kind):

\$2,500.00

**Total project budget:**

**\$27,500.00**